

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

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Endowments Department—Sri Bhramaramba Mallikarjuna Swamyvari Devasthanam, Srisailam—Transfer of Devasthanam Land to an extent of 31.08 Acres in S.No.3 at Srisaila Devasthanam to Revenue Department—Orders—Issued.

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REVENUE (ENDTS.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 1535

Dated: 20 -12-2008

Read the following:

1. Letter Rc.No.C2/1667/2007, dt. 13-09-2007 of Executive Officer, Sri Bhramaramba Mallikarjuna Swamyvari Devasthanam, Srisailam, addressed to the CED.
2. From the CED Lr.No.N1/31851/2007, dt. 27-08-2008 and 24-11-2008.

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**ORDER:**

In the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, the Commissioner, Endowments Department has stated, that, on the instructions of the Collector, Kurnool the Revenue land to an extent of ac. 31.08 in Srisailam was handed over to the Executive Officer, Sri Bramarambha Mallikarjuna Swamyvari Devasthanam, Srisailam on 18.02.1998 tentatively and submitted alienation proposals to the Government for transfer of the land in favour of the Endowments Department. Accordingly, the Collector, Kurnool has issued proceedings transferring the revenue land in Sy.No.3 to an extent of Ac.31.08 in favour of the Executive Officer, Sri Bhramaramba Mallikarjuna Swamyvari Devasthanam, Srisailam. The said land is earmarked for developmental activities by the Devasthanam for public purposes and semi public as proposed in the Master Plan of the Devasthanam.

2. During the important festivals and months like Mahasivarathri, Ugadi, Sravana and Karthika Masam and also Dasara Festivals, there will be huge congregation of pilgrims and most of the vehicles will be diverted to the said place to park the tourist vehicles which is most convenient to the public also since it is located very near to the temple. Due to availability of the said site, Devasthanam is not at all facing any problem regarding parking of tourist vehicles during the period of said festivals as it is a well known fact to one and all. In course of time there are large number of encroachments around 1069 by way of residential houses in the vicinity of Sri Bramarambha Mallikarjuna Swamyvari Devasthanam, Srisailam by poor people who eke-out their livelihood mostly by petty businesses and auxiliary services connected to the temple. The Intelligence Department has been cautioning periodically that there is a threat to the major temples from anti-social elements. Therefore, a series of discussions were held by the Collector, Kurnool with the Executive Officer, local MLA and all interested persons to re-locate all the scattered encroachers from the vicinity of the temple and construct a housing colony under Indiramma Programme to provide shelter to all these encroachers so that the vicinity of the temple will be free from threats and untoward incidents.

3. The Collector, Kurnool has been suggesting that the land of Ac. 31.08 Cts., in Sy.No.3 which was alienated to the temple by the Government may be re-conveyed to the Revenue Department to take up housing colony for rehabilitation. Incidentally, this 31 acres land is at the entrance of the Srisailam village and this has been used as a parking place up to thousand vehicles during major festivals. Except this there is no other suitable place for parking. Therefore, it was

informed by the Commissioner, Endowments Department, Hyderabad to the Collector and also Government that it is not possible to re-convey this land to Government. As the local MLA has been pursuing for taking up of housing colony under Indiramma programme to all the poor people of Srisailam village, mostly the encroachers on temple land, it is proposed to provide alternate land on lease basis in Sy.No.3 to an extent of around 25 acres.

4. The Commissioner in his further letter dt. 24-11-2008, has stated as follows:

- (1) it is proposed to permit the Executive Officer to grant lease of house sites for a period of 33 years to the rehabilitants for construction of new houses with the aid of Indiramma Programme by the rehabilitants.
- (2) It is also suggested to levy a nominal lease amount of Rs.1/- per year for each plot.
- (3) Shifting of all the encroachments around the temple and bringing out a colony with good roads, sanitation, water supply will improve the township status of Srisailam apart from maintenance of good sanitation and hygienic condition in the interest of lakhs of pilgrims visiting the place.

5. The Commissioner of Endowments, has, therefore, requested to permit to allot two (2) cents of land to each beneficiary on long lease basis so as to facilitate the Government to take up housing colony under Indiramma programme including providing all required infrastructure and basic amenities and to issue necessary orders in the matter.

6. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby accord permission to Commissioner, Endowments Department to allot two cents of land in Sy.No.3 within the extent of 25 acres to each beneficiaries of 1069 who are encroachers of the Devasthanam land for their residential purpose in the vicinity of Sri Bramarambha Mallikarjuna Swamyvari Devasthanam, Srisailam on long lease basis for a period of 33 years on payment of a nominal lease amount of Re.1/- per Sq.yard per year with an enhancement of lease amount for every 3 years, subject to the following conditions:

- a) All the encroachers shall be evicted .
- b) The implementing agency under Indiramma Programme shall develop the plots at their own cost.
- c) Notwithstanding anything in the allotment/lease agreement shall be made in favour of the persons who profess Hindu religion only.
- d) The land leased out shall be utilized only for providing shelter to the encroachers and it shall not be misused or diverted for any other purpose.

7. The lease agreement should take care of these aspects also in addition to the usual terms and conditions.

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8. The Commissioner of Endowments, A. P. Hyderabad shall take further action accordingly.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**M. VEERABHADRAIAH  
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Commissioner of Endowments, A.P. Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The District Collector, Kurnool.

The Executive Officer, Sri Bhramaramba Mallikarjuna Devasthanam, Srisailam.

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